

I don't believe that the FCC should prohibit XM (or any other form of radio service) from providing local information. Cable television already provides local weather information on its local access channels and on the Weather Channel. Both cable TV and satellite radio are services for which consumers pay. Why should cable TV be able to provide local weather information but satellite radio not?

A prohibition against local programming on satellite radio serves only to restrain trade and to limit competition in the broadcast industry that ALREADY enjoys limited competition through the FCC's process of frequency allocation. Let's allow the broadcast industry to experience the advantages and disadvantages of FULL competition just as many of their advertisers do.